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Schedule of Events for

Baccalaureate — Alumni Day — Graduation

May 24, 27, 28, 1964

SUNDAY, MAY 24

- 8:00 p.m. Baccalaureate Service
Large Auditorium, Administration Building

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

- 8:00 a.m. Alumni Registration — Foyer of Administration Building (Tickets for the Alumni Luncheon can be obtained at the registration table)
- 10:00 a.m. Alumni Chapel — Small Auditorium — Second Floor
The class of '39 will be returning for their 25th Anniversary and will be in charge of chapel. Dr. R. T. Clark will be chairman of the program. Other five-year classes having reunions are '29, '34, '44, '49, '54, and '59.
- 12:00 Noon Alumni Luncheon
All alumni, friends, and guests are invited. Place — Rendezvous Restaurant (Tickets can be obtained at the Luncheon — \$1.50 each)
- 4:00 p.m. Alumni-Varsity Softball Game — Benson Field
- 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Worship Service — College Church Auditorium
- 8:30 p.m. Harding A Cappella Concert
Large Auditorium Administration Building

THURSDAY, MAY 28

- 10:00 a.m. Commencement Exercises — Large Auditorium
- 12:00 Noon Annual Alumni Luncheon and Business Meeting — College Dining Hall

NOTE: For other information, check with the Alumni Office, Second Floor, Student Center.



President's Corner

By Evan Ulrey
BA '46

President Writes Last '30' For President's Corner

This column will be my last as president of the Harding College Alumni Association. Thank you for the opportunity of serving you for six years.

As I leave office it is with a feeling of some nostalgia because of many pleasant experiences in the work. I leave feeling that the alumni are much more important than I could have imagined six years ago.

I am convinced that alumni constantly must play a larger role in the continual growth of Harding College as a liberal arts college operated by Christians. If we do not the future can not equal, not to say surpass, the past.

What role must we as alumni play? We must be **builders** and **boosters**. We can **build** when **each** of us **annually** has a part in financing the college.

We now have the ability to provide \$100,000 annually for the operation of the college. This amount would not be a sacrificial gift — but a nominal and reasonable one from the standpoint of our financial ability. The essential is that **each** give as he is able annually, as a responsibility equal in importance in giving to most other groups to which we annually contribute.

Second to the financial consideration is that we **boost** Christian education whenever we find an opportunity. The welfare of our children is first, because they are tomorrow's builders of the church, the community, the nation. They may not be a President of the United States, but they may become president of a school board or a Christian college, or a Bible teacher, a preacher, an elder, a mother. Presidents all have mother-teachers-preachers who help to form their character and their personality, and give them the inspiration and the tools for leadership. He also serves who serves in the background without

Seven In Speech Department Receive 1964 Appointments

Dr. Evan Ulrey, chairman of the Department of Speech, reports that seven of Harding's speech majors have received fellowships or assistantships in speech at several major universities. They are as follows:

Robert Brewer from Memphis — assistantship at Louisiana State University.

Mrs. Don Brown — assistantship in speech correction and audiology at the University of Oklahoma.

Ray Dearin from St. Louis, a 1963 graduate — assistantship at the University of Illinois.

Jon Farris from Lafayette, Indiana — a University Fellowship, and teaching assistantship at the University of Wisconsin.

Mrs. Larry Robinson — assistantship at the University of Arkansas.

Professor Doyle Ward has accepted a fellowship at the University of Missouri, where he expects to finish course work toward the Ph.D. during the next year.

Professor Ben Holland will be on leave for the fall semester at the University of Southern California where he expects to complete his M.A. in drama.

publicity. By boosting Christian education you may find your service in providing persons for positions of leadership in important places in education—in the church and community and in the nation.

I hope to continue to do what I can in behalf of Harding as a teacher, and member of her Alumni Association. I pledge my support to her new officers to this end. I hope you will join with me in this resolve for a Greater Harding.

ALUMNI OFFICERS

EVAN ULREY, President
VIRGIL LAWYER, 1st Vice President
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LUCIAN BAGNETTO, 3rd Vice President
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Lucian Bagnetto, A. R. Brown, Clifton L. Ganus Jr., Alice Ann Kellar, Virgil Lawyer, Joseph E. Pryor, Leon Sanderson, Buford Tucker, Lott R. Tucker and Evan Ulrey.

Donald Garner Reports Success In His Field

Donald P. Garner (BA'51) is presently associate professor of speech and theatre at Eastern Illinois University and director of the Charleston Community Theatre.

After leaving Harding, Garner taught as a graduate assistant at Kent State University and was director of the Studio Theatre. While he worked at KSU, 80 plays were produced and a little theatre was constructed for the use of Studio Theatre. Garner also organized a similar theatre at Ohio State University.

Garner received his M.A. from Kent State University in 1953 and went to David Lipscomb College where he worked as director of theatre until 1958. In 1958 he went to Wayne State University in Detroit to work on his Ph.D. At Wayne State he was a teaching fellow and assistant debate coach for the first two years. The third year he was appointed as instructor and director of extemporaneous speaking. He directed "Debate

Days in Detroit," the largest national audience debate tournament in the United States.

In 1961, while still at Wayne State, Garner traveled and lectured in 27 countries including England, Germany and Italy. He completed requirements for the Ph.D. on August 1, 1963. His dissertation, "George S. Benson, Conservative, Anti-Communist, Pro-Americanism Speaker," was given distinction honors and Garner was awarded graduation with distinction.

At Harding, Garner was a member of Campus Players, Alpha Psi Omega, Galaxy Club and Bison staff. He is now national vice president of Alpha Psi Omega, editor of **Callboard**, an Alpha Psi publication, and national vice president of Delta Psi Omega fraternity for junior colleges.



Donald Garner

Chapter News

Central Florida "Missile" Chapter

A group of alumni in central Florida decided they could work more effectively for Harding by organizing an alumni chapter. Association president, Evan Ulrey, was in this area last summer seeking support for the alumni building and this work is being continued through this chapter. Elected were Walter Gilfilen (BS'57), president; Vernon Means (BA'56), vice-president; and Mrs. David F. Kirk (BA'62), nee Linda Lee McMahan, secretary.

Stapleton Memorial Will Be Used For Student Loan Fund

Joel Anderson, president of the Student Association, recently announced that it was the wish of the Stapleton family that the memorial fund be used to make loans to students needing help while going to school. Harding students have already contributed over \$300. The faculty will make a contribution to the fund in cooperation with the student association.

A number of alumni have sent contributions. Others are asked to have a part in making this fund a worth while program. An appropriate plaque will be placed somewhere on campus in honor of Mrs. Ruby Lowrey Stapleton.

Ark-La Chapter

The Ark-La Chapter had their spring meeting Saturday, April 11, at Smackover. Jack McNutt (BA'56) will serve as president for the remainder of the year since Charles Cranford has moved to Tennessee. In addition to backing the Harding expansion program, and the athletic scholarship program, the chapter has taken upon themselves to furnish a room in the new alumni house. Our appreciation to these alumni.

St. Louis Chapter

St. Louis Chapter met April 24, at the Village Center. Twenty-six alumni were present and about one hundred fifty visitors, mostly prospective students. The Harding Travelaires sang and Virgil Lawyer showed slides and spoke. The St. Louis chapter hired two Greyhound busses to take prospective students to Harding College on Senior Day, May 2.

Great Plains Chapter

The Great Plains Chapter held a meeting on April 14, at Furr's Cafeteria in Lubbock. Twenty-five alumni attended and entertained twenty-three prospective students. The Travelaires sang and Virgil Lawyer showed Harding's new film "We Hold These Truths." Both Ken Dunn and Virgil Lawyer made short talks.

Alexine Hankins Achieves Outstanding Awards

Miss Alexine Hankins (BA'37), who retired in 1962 as nurse for the Nashville, Tenn. city school system, was named "Nurse of the Year" for 1963 by District 3 of the Tennessee Nurses Association. She was also honored by WLAC radio in Nashville as "First Lady of the Day."

Miss Hankins was school nurse at Harding College for three years while she attended classes. She attended Harding from 1933 to 1937. During her first year of study the college was located at Morrilton.



Alexine Hankins

A graduate of Baptist Hospital School of Nursing, Miss Hankins attended David Lipscomb High School. She received her B.S. from Harding and a masters in education from George Peabody College in Nashville. Miss Hankins served in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II, assigned to the Vanderbilt Medical Unit in Italy.

She is an active member of the West End Church of Christ and the Baptist Hospital School of Nursing alumni.

Miss Emma Jean Neeley, District 3 president who presented the award, cited Miss Hankins for "her responsibility in defining, promoting, and defending professional nursing."



At top one can see the most recent developments of the new American Heritage Center and alumni house. Construction is progressing rapidly, as weather permits, and the building will soon look like the artist's sketch below.

Member of '55 Class Studies Eye Disease Drug; Father Chooses His Bride 10,000 Miles Away

Satoru (Sam) Numajiri of Harding's 1955 class recently completed his M. A. degree in organic chemistry at Texas Christian University. At present he is working for Alcon Laboratories in Ft. Worth, Tex. and living with his new bride selected for him by his father, 10,000 miles away.

At Alcon Laboratories Numajiri is doing research on the chemical production of the drug pilocarpion, extracted from South American plants which has been used in recent treatment of glaucoma. An eye disease that often causes blindness, glaucoma is the result of fluid pressures inside the eyes that distort the optic nerve. Pilocarpion reduces the pressure and often eliminates the need for surgery. In addition to his interest in chemistry, Numajiri is a judo expert. To supplement a fellowship from Alcon during his schooling, he taught judo at the Ft. Worth YMCA.

An unique romance which resulted in his marriage to a Japanese girl named Ayako has been featured in Ft. Worth papers. Satoru Numajiri traveled nearly 10,000 miles and went \$2,000 in debt all for a woman he had never seen. It all began when his father sent word that a bride had been selected for him. By a telephone call and a photograph he was convinced to claim his unseen bride, but he had to worry about financing the long trip to Japan. Six of his judo students signed a note at a bank, which allowed him to borrow the needed funds and shortly afterwards he was married in a Shinto wedding in Japanese tradition, which was followed by an American style wedding, dinner and honeymoon. Of his bride, Numajiri said, "I don't think my father's choice was bad at all. There is always something to say for selecting a bride as Americans do. But look at the divorce rate."

Mrs. Numajiri is an excellent flower arranger and holds a certificate which qualifies her for teaching the craft after she masters the English language. She is learning through the aid of English books and television.

Washington even had to aid the couple with their union. When they were married his student visa became invalid, so Ft. Worth friends enlisted the aid of Representative Jim Wright to get permission for a technical visa which would allow them

to reenter the country.

Numajiri says "It was worth the trouble. I'd do it again."

The Numajiris live at 1601 5th Avenue, Ft. Worth, Texas.

'50 Grad Receives Fellowship From Shell For This Summer

Eugene Catterton (BA'50) has recently received a Shell Merit Fellowship for advanced study this summer. He is among 100 high school mathematics and science teachers in the United States and Canada who have been honored.

After receiving a degree from Harding, he completed work for the Master of Science Education degree at Arkansas State College, Jonesboro and later for the Master of Science from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. At present he is principal of the Wynne, Arkansas Junior High School and chairman of its Mathematics Department.

Catterton is vice president and program chairman of the Arkansas Council of Mathematics and a member of the Advisory Council of Secondary Education. He is also an elder in the Wynne Church of Christ. The Cattertons have three girls: Judy, Holly and Gena. She is the former Fayrene Imboden ('50).



Eugene Catterton

Add to Harding's Mission List:

Richard J. Andrejewski
102, Rue Nationale
Marcq-en-Baroeul
(Nord) France

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Gladys Jewell Nation (BA'32). She was a teacher and librarian at the Phoenix, Ariz. Indian School. Miss Nation graduated from Harding while it was located at Morrilton.

Also on our sympathy list is the family of Reggie Nalls Jr. ('61) whose wife, Jean, died at her home in Little Rock after a long illness.

★ ★ ★ From Here and There ★ ★ ★

Mrs. Clark **Jean Hester** ('60) Meyer reports that they have a daughter, **Cristie Lynn**, 26 months old and they are now living in Estill Springs, Tenn. Her husband is employed by Arnold Engineering Development Center, Tullahoma, Tenn.

James R. Williams ('61) has been commended by the American Ed. Life Ins. Co. of Nashville, Tenn. for an outstanding record in placing more than \$1,500,000 of life insurance in force during 1963.

Jim D. Redding (BS'61), former American Studies student, is now Administrator of Mono Medical Hospital, Bridgeport, Calif.

Mrs. Bill **Jean Murphy** ('63) Shafer is teaching home economics in Rankin High School, Rankin, Tex. Her husband is a counselor at the same high school.

A son, Pat, of Mrs. **Wesley Imogene Rickman** ('47) Patchell is at St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. with leukemia. Pat is 11 years old.

Donald J. Schafer (BA'63) has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Kenneth E. Still (BA'60) has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex.

David Huddleston ('63) is now serving in the U. S. Navy at the Naval Communications Training Center in Pensacola, Fla.

Lt. Col. John F. Floyd (BM'39) has arrived at Tinker AFB, Okla. for duty following a tour of service in Germany. Col. Floyd, an intelligence officer, has been assigned to the Headquarters Command. He is a veteran of more than 22 years military service.

James Borden ('59) received his M.D. degree from the University of Oregon Medical School in Portland, Ore., June, 1963. He will finish his internship July 1, 1964.

Mrs. Charles (**Sarah Croom** '52) Morris will represent Tennessee colleges by playing Hindemith's Sonata No. 3 at the meeting of the Southern Division, Music Teachers National Association, in Greenboro, N. C., April 10-12.

Eugene Morris ('56) is now director of the Indiana 4-H Training Center near Lafayette, Ind.

Eddie (BA'59) and **Carole Ann Dunn** returned to the United States on April 1 for a three-month visit after which they will again return to their work in Helsinki, Finland.

William H. Collins ('51) is now serving as minister for the church of Christ in Farmersburg, Ind.

BIRTHS

Daughter, **Denise Ann**, to **Don** ('64) and **Sara Leonard Brown** on Feb. 17 in Searcy.

Daughter, **Karen Elizabeth**, to **Tommy** ('64) and **Karen Spain** ('65) **Carter** on Feb. 16 in Searcy.

Daughter, **Melanie Ann**, to **Jim** and **Loanna Dirks** (BA'57) **Gilbertson** on Oct. 5, in Boulder, Colo.

Daughter, **Keri**, to **Doug** ('65) and **Kathy Kostowski** in Conway.

Son, **Joseph R. III**, to **Jeanne Hockett** (BA'61) and **Joseph R. Morton**, on Oct. 20 in Memphis, Tenn.

Daughter, **Dana Michelle**, to **Reece** (BS'49) and **Janie Brooks** on Jan. 21.

Son, **Mark Patrick**, to **Pat** (BA'62) and **Gail Shoptaw** (BA'59) **Carter** Feb. 2 in St. Augustine, Fla.

Daughter, **Patricia Diane**, to **Jimmy** (BA'61) and **Faye Berry** ('60) **Adkins** on Jan. 8.

Son, **Steven Pate**, to **Ernie** (BA'52) and **Jane Pate** ('53) **Wilkerson** on Jan. 27 in Little Rock.

Son, **Rhom Reamer**, to **Jean Jewell** (BA'51) and **Dr. Bob Saunders** of Long Island, N. Y., on Feb. 7 in Searcy.

Son, **Hulet Newton**, to **Jerry** and **Ruth Ann Sherraden** (BS'62) **Jacobs**, on Feb. 12.

Son, **Walter Dale**, to **Valdy** (BA'61) and **Beatrice Bryant** ('63) **Eichmann** on Feb. 1.

Daughter, **Erin Lee**, to **Reo** and **Ruth Merritt** (Acad. '53) **Murphy** Sept. 15 in Riggold, La.

Daughter, **Susan Renea**, to **J. C.** and **Mary Dockery** ('60) **Hughes** on Oct. 11 in Fayetteville.

Son, **Timothy Earl**, to **Gene Earl** (BA'63) and **Lucretia Bolt Jester** of McCaskill, Ark. on Jan. 26.

Daughter, **Shannon Kay**, to **M. L.** (Bud) ('60) and **Harriet McClellan** ('61) **Barrentine** on Dec. 11 in Dallas, Tex.

Son, **Kerry Don**, to **Kenneth** (BA'53)

and **Carolyn Poston** (BA'52) **Rhodes** on Jan. 4 in Lubbock, Tex.

Son, **Steven Leslie**, to **Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bender** (BA'53) on Jan. 16.

Son, **Michael Lee**, to **Willard F.** ('58) and **Barbara Ann Davis** on May 4.

Son, **Keven Lewis**, to **Robert** (BA'59) and **Jennie Schoolfield** (BA'59) **Cross** on Jan. 11 in Pontiac, Mich.

Son, **Stephen Edwin**, to **Edwin** (BA'60) and **Melba Land** on Feb. 29 at Paragould.

Son, **Kent James**, to **James** and **Ileta Buchanan** (BA'51) **Beckloff** on April 20.

Son, **Lyle Scott**, to **Lewis** ('62) and **Donna Adams** (BA'61) **Robertson** on April 17.

Daughter, **Karla Ann**, to **Elmer** and **Dixie Faulkner** ('58) **Gunter** on March 7.

Son **Shawn Britt**, to **Paul** (BA'59) and **Judy Allison** ('64) **Ewins** on April 10.

Daughter, **LaNita**, to **Frank** ('57) and **Linda Wilkins** ('62) **Clark** on Feb. 14 in Magnolia, Ark.

Daughter, **Matilda Jo**, to **Dean** (BS'61) and **Carolyn Pogue** (BA'58) **Priest**, April 12 in Searcy.

Daughter, **Patricia Kay**, to **Bobby** (BA'57) and **Kay Hamm** on April 9, in Fayetteville.

Daughter, **Ru Anne**, to **Rue** (BS'51) and **Ruby McReynolds** ('52) **Rogers** on April 3, at Piggott, Ark.

Daughter, **Megan Denise**, to **Doyle** (BS'56) and **Mary Hill** ('57) **Helms** on July 9, 1963 in Shreveport, La.

Son, **James Wade**, to **Jim** (BS'61) and **Sherley Lovelace** on March 3 — adopted March 18.

Son, **Ken Scott**, to **Terry** ('60) and **Ruth Plank** (BA'61) **Hutchison** on March 15 in Sacramento, Calif.

Son, **Frederick Lee**, to **Paul** ('58) and **Mary Bee Reiff** on March 12.

Son, **Wm. Norman, Jr.**, to **Bill** ('64) and **Janie Hulett** (BA'63) **Milner** September 23, 1963 at Jonesboro, Ark.

Son, **James Edward Williams, III**, to **James E.** (BA'61) and **Lois Baker** (BA'61) **Williams, Jr.** on March 10 in Livonia, Mich.

Son, **Dennis Patrick**, to **Thomas** (BA'58) and **Betty Weldon** ('58) **Brown** on March 14 in Denver, Colo.

Daughter, **Jena Kay**, to **Rex** (BA'55) and **Barbara Richards** (BA'55) **Davis** on Jan. 27 in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Son, **Craig Beal**, to **Finis Jay** (BA'57) and **Marilyn Beal** (BA'59) **Caldwell** on Feb. 27 in Portales, N. Mex.

Daughter, **Carrie Frances**, to **Ken** (BA'53) and **LaVera Novak** (BA'49) **Childs** on August 26, 1963 in Wichita, Kan.

Son, **Paul Jay**, to **J. R.** (BA'56) and **Lenore Felix** ('58) **Byerley** on Feb. 7 in Memphis, Tenn.

Son, **Timothy Wayne**, to **Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Thompson** (BA'61) on March 24 in Cyril, Okla.

Daughter, **Melanie Ann**, to **Don** (BA'62) and **Anne Bixler** (BA'62) **Berryhill** on May 5 in Memphis, Tenn.

Son, **Jon Robert**, to **Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Anderson** (BA'59) on April 5 in British Columbia.

MARRIAGES

Allwyn Hart ('50) and **Wanda Bridgeman** on February 7 in Searcy.

Carolyn Venita Baker ('63) to **Jimmy Lee Davidson**, Aug. 24 in Little Rock.

Jean Murphy ('63) and **Bill Shafer** on Aug. 24 at Sulphur Springs, Tex.

Peggy Eileen Miller ('64) and **Murl R. Alsop Jr.** on Aug. 16 in Ft. Smith.

Janet Pace (BA'62) to **Michel Caudle**, April 11 at Whitney Ave. Church of Christ in Hamden, Conn.

David Starling (BS'64) to **Myra Cope** ('64) April 14, in Searcy.

Jack Ford (BA'64) to **Donna Scott** on Jan. 31 in Fenton, Mich.

Wanda Warren ('61) to **R. D. Shannon**.

Lillian Chesshir ('59) to **Thomas Howell Caldwell, Jr.** on April 17 in Nashville, Ark.

Aquilla Fuchs (BA'54) and **Betty Ruth Franklin** on Dec. 14, in Berkley, Calif.

Edgar A. Estes ('65) and **Avis W. Eisenhower** ('66) Dec. 27.

Jean Masters (BA'64) to **Bill Adams** ('67) on May 3 in Possum Grape, Arkansas.

Lou Yarbrought (BA'64) to **James Shannon** on March 6 in Memphis, Tenn.

NOTICE

All women who have graduated from Harding College are now eligible for membership in the American Association of University Women. Harding College alumnae were approved for membership in 1963. This includes all alumnae prior to and after the approval date.



Miss Ann Crawford of Waldron, Arkansas was crowned 1964 May Queen before a record Senior Day audience Saturday, May 2. Miss Crawford was crowned by Dr. Bob Gilliam. Her attendants were Mrs. Betty Garretson Tubb, left, and Miss Doris Bush. Train bearers were Ann Ulrey, left of the Queen, and Bonnie Ulrey. Chris Ann Knight, center foreground, was flower girl.

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ALUMNI NEWS



Dr. Jack Wood Sears (left), chairman of the Department of Biological Science at Harding College and Robert Lawyer, executive vice president of the 1st National Bank of Mountain Home will deliver the baccalaureate and graduation addresses, respectively, at Harding Academy May 17 and 23. Both speakers are Harding alumni and both have sons in the Academy graduating class.

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